



# The MESSENGER

**To glorify God, we invite all to grow as faithful disciples and to share in the love, grace and ministry of Jesus Christ by serving the church, community and world.**

## Discussions with Dave

With the exception of the first two years of our marriage, Dina has planted a garden. Even at seminary she managed to use the flower beds around our apartment to plant a garden. In Pittsville I bought an old 3 ½ horse tiller at an auction (Apparently people think it is bad luck to bid against a pastor!), which we used for many years. Generally speaking, I would till the soil, but Dina did the planting. In Altura, one of my friends had a small Case/IH tractor with a 5' PTO tiller on the back which made quick work of tilling up a new spot in the lot next to ours. You know someone must really love gardening when one year for Easter I gave Dina a Troy-Built rear-tine tiller as a gift. Am I not just the most loving husband? (I think the tiller may have cost as much as her engagement ring.)

When they were doing the landscaping at the parsonage shortly after we moved here, Warren Krueger had the company scrape off the sod where Dina was eventually going to plant her garden here. Erich Wollin was nice enough to haul some organic matter to help the garden grow. Wouldn't all of you love to give your pastor some manure?

Dina decided to enlarge the garden this year because last year Irene Kirst gave Dina some planting potatoes, which Dina had never planted before. Now we will be planting more. Despite our daughter December's opinion zucchini is really a poison which must be secretly snuck into all kinds of dishes, we do eat everything that comes out of the garden.

I find it wonderful to watch as the garden grows. Plants begin to come up from the ground. You can see each day as the vegetables above the ground begin to form, grow, and eventually turn the color they will be when harvested. In a time when we are concerned about what is added to our food sources, it is a gift to know where some of our food comes from, and who to thank for it.

Gardening, after all, is the oldest profession.

After all of creation, what did God do? "And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed." (Genesis 2:8). God commands his people to: "Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce." (Jeremiah 29:5) Where was Jesus arrested? The Garden of Gethsemane. Where was he buried? "Now there was a garden in the place where he was crucified, and in the garden there was a new tomb in which no one had ever been laid. And so, ...they laid Jesus there." (John 19:41-42) And in John's Gospel (John 20:15), when the Risen Jesus speaks to the sobbing Mary, she thinks him to be the gardener.

Much of what a farmer does in a field is done in the garden on a smaller scale. The earth is prepared. Crops are planted. The work does not end there. Weeds which could take precious resources away from the crop seeds must be dealt with in some way. Worms and insects must be kept away lest they destroy the plant, or eat the crop. Animals large and small must be kept away as well, or else they could destroy the growing or ripening crops. Tending the garden or field is constant. I doubt the farmer spends quite as much time in their field as Dina does in her garden, walking through, tending, gently moving vines and leaves around. If a farmer tended to their field as much as Dina does to her garden, they would never get anything else accomplished!

Only when the crop has been tended to does it yield its harvest. If it is not tended to properly, the field or garden will not yield as good a crop as possible, or none at all.

Both the gardener and farmer are stewards of the gift they have been given, the soil of the earth. They both respect it with the knowledge it can turn against them if not tended properly. We all actually are stewards as well. God has gifted each of us with life. How we tend to this gift is different for all of us. I am not referring solely to the physical body, although athletes certainly understand the necessity of tending to their bodies to keep working. But the body is more than just physical. Our spirit, our "soul," also needs tending. We have found that out most acutely this past year. How you tend to your soul, your spiritual body, is just as important as how you tend to your physical body. A gardener cannot only check for insects in the garden. They must also pull weeds. A gardener cannot continually water the garden. They must allow the soil to dry and warm up.

"I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building." (1 Corinthians 3:6-9)

You are the garden God has planted in this world. Tend to your life, let others tend to you. Grow, mature, ripen, and be ready when the harvest comes.

*Pastor Dave Sobek*

## Holy Communion



Our next opportunity to come to Christ's Table will be the 4th of July Weekend. We will be remembering the martyrdom of Jan Hus, who was burned at the stake in 1415 for being a heretic. Many of the reforms Hus attempted to make to the church at the time (The Catholic Church) have taken place. His work and legacy were the beginnings of our modern day Moravian Church.

## Confirmation

On Sunday, May 16, we welcomed the following young people into our communicant membership as they confirmed their baptismal vows: Zoey Buchholtz, McKenzie Frey, Carsyn Peterson, Charlie Ripp, Tanner Wendorf and Erin Williams. Their statements of faith are printed on the back of this month's calendar.

## Summer Sermon Series

Pastor Dave will be presenting a sermon series on the Psalms from June 6 through July 4. Then our focus will be on Paul's letter to the people at Ephesus (Ephesians) from July 11 to August 1. August 8 through the start of the Fall we will have a discussion about our Sacraments, Holy Communion and Baptism. Remember, even if you can't join us live on a Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning, you can catch us on our YouTube Channel!

## Family Camp

A new Family Camp is being offered at Mt. Morris on June 4-6 which will be filled with fun, activities, rest, great food, worship, and fellowship for all! This is an opportunity to experience Mt. Morris as a family! Prices are based per person and vary depending on age and your housing choice. There is also a \$50.00 voucher being offered per family unit. Cost information and registration forms are available in the church office or on the Mt. Morris website at [mt-morris.org](http://mt-morris.org).

## Men's Fellowship

The men will have a breakfast meeting on Saturday, June 12, at 7:30 a.m.

## BOOK CLUB

This month's book is "The Light Keeper's Legacy" by Kathleen Ernst. We will meet at 10 a.m. on Thursday, June 3, in the Matthew Room. All are welcome!

# Meeting Our Financial Responsibilities

April 30, 2021 (Actual)

Budget as of April 30: \$106,867.44  
 Actual Income as of April 30: \$93,549.72  
 Actual Expenses as of April 30: 97,467.83  
 Difference YTD (\$ 3,918.11)

Mary Bade, Treasurer



### BIRTHDAY WISHES:

June 5 – Beth Denzin; June 6 – Patricia Wood;  
 June 9 – Lisa Paskey; June 12 – Tiffany Trumpf;  
 June 20 – Becky Haferman;  
 June 21 – Nathan Denzin

**Birthday Wishes:** If you would like your name put in the Messenger for your birthday, please call the church office (920-648-5412) and your name will be added. We DO NOT put the year – just the date. Thank you!!!

**THANK YOUs:** We'd like to thank all of the volunteers who helped clean up the church during the spring clean-up. A very special thank you to Diane McFarlane and Mary Bade for covering the office for me during my vacation. -*Nikki*

### Moravian Music Festival

The 26th Moravian Music Festival will be different from any Festival you've ever attended before!

Because of ongoing concerns about the COVID-19 pandemic, the Moravian Music Foundation Board of Trustees decided that the 26th Moravian Music Festival, scheduled for July 18-24, 2021, will be an all-virtual event. The Festival will feature a combination of live and pre-recorded worship opportunities, concerts, classes and webinars, and lectures, as well as a separate program for children and youth with a musical theater production!

Information and registration links can be found at [www.MoravianMusicFestival.org](http://www.MoravianMusicFestival.org). The cost is only \$50 per adult. Financial assistance may be available for members of our congregation; please contact Mary in the church office if you are interested.

### PLUS 50 RETREAT

Join us at the Plus 50 Retreat at Mt. Morris for everyone in the over-50 crowd. It will take place August 12-15, 2021, and the theme is "Walking in the Dark." Experience fellowship, faith, food and fun as we enjoy God's creation! Registration begins at 4 p.m. on Thursday followed by dinner at 5:30 p.m. We end with breakfast and worship on Sunday. Cost per person is \$200 which includes all meals and 3 nights lodging in Black Oak Lodge. Reserve your spot now with a \$75 deposit by July 1. Registration forms are available in the office. For more information contact Myrna Peil at [mpeil3590@gmail.com](mailto:mpeil3590@gmail.com) or 920-333-0447.

### Mt. Morris Arrowhead Expansion Fund

There's still time to make your contribution! The building addition at Mt. Morris is set to begin this spring. Remember, all donations up to \$75,000 will be doubled! A group of friends of Mt. Morris Camp have pledged to match every contribution made toward the new building up to \$75,000 until June 30.

If you would like to participate in this matching gift opportunity, you can send a check to Mt. Morris at W6016 Blackhawk Rd., Wautoma, WI 54982-0676 and indicate this is a matching donation or donate online at [www.mt-morris.org](http://www.mt-morris.org), click on Donate, and select New Arrowhead Expansion Fund.

Thank you for considering a gift today! Stay tuned for updates on the building progress.

*Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,  
 I would like to thank everyone who supported me through prayers, get well cards, and phone calls during my illness. I truly appreciate it as it lifted my spirits and helped keep me positive.  
 God bless you all, Shirley Hofer*

### Western District Justice Event

The Western District Justice Team is hosting a virtual Open House so you can learn about justice work. The Moravian Church in North America, Western District recognizes the call to discipleship as incorporating the call to justice for all people. This includes an honoring and acknowledgement of the Indigenous people who originally inhabited this land. We will work for dismantling systemic racism and affirming our identity as a justice church, made visible in its deep involvement in the work of justice at the local, district and provincial levels, and working toward the world as God desires it. The event takes place on Tuesday, June 1, 6:00 p.m. via Zoom. Register at [wjjusticeteam@gmail.com](mailto:wjjusticeteam@gmail.com).

### Meals on Wheels

Well, we're all set to go. Meals on Wheels will be starting up for Lake Mills Moravian Church volunteers on May 28th with Teresa Holzhuetter, June 1st-Teresa Holzhuetter & Barb Sanft; 2nd & 3rd-Penny & Brian Calloway, 4th & 7th-Rick & Connie Kottwitz, 8th & 9th-Shirley & Bob Metzker, and 10th & 11th-Donna Hinzmann & Jane Harberg. Thanks to all of you, Coordinator, Connie Manske.

### Worship Service Special Music

As the church gradually opens to in-person worship, we are looking to engage people in special music offerings for worship services over the summer. Any variety of musical offering is welcome: vocal/instrumental solos or small groups. For students, perhaps you have prepared music at school that you would like to share. If you would like to share your gift of music, please contact Pastor Dave, Cora Rund or Kathy Wendt.

### Live Streaming Worship Services

We are looking at the possibility of streaming the Sunday worship services over the church YouTube channel instead of using Zoom. This will make it easier for those viewing the live stream services. We plan on announcing this change by early August. Look for more information in next month's newsletter. **NOTE:** We will continue to record the worship services and post them to our YouTube channel and Lake Mills Cable TV.

### Worship Service Recording and Video Production

We continue to look for more people who would like to share their skills and interest in this area. Participation includes recording/producing about once per month. No prior experience needed. Training is provided and it's a fun team to work with! Call the office or contact Rich Fronek if you are interested.

### MAY SERVANTS

**DIENERS:** Connie & Ken Manske (K) 920-222-6724

**SORTERS:** Adam Lawson & Dave McFarlane/Rich Fronek

USHERS		
Date	Service	Ushers
(Usher Teams will also greet until further notice)		
6/6	9:00 A.M.	Jane Berg
6/13	9:00 A.M.	Bob Hoyt
Father's Day		
6/20	9:00 A.M.	Todd Messmer
6/27	9:00 A.M.	Mike Denzin

LAY READERS		
Date	Service	Readers
(Only reading on Sundays right now)		
6/6	9:00 A.M.	Jane Harberg
6/13	9:00 A.M.	Dakota Sobek
Father's Day		
6/20	9:00 A.M.	Rich Fronek
6/27	9:00 A.M.	Kathy Wendt

### NURSERY SCHEDULE

For the safety of all, there will be no nursery until further notice.

WORSHIP RECORDING & PRODUCTION			
Date	Service	Recording	YouTube Video
6/6	9:00 A.M.	Paul Albrecht	Paul Albrecht
6/13	9:00 A.M.	Dakota Sobek	Dakota Sobek
Father's Day			
6/20	9:00 A.M.	Rich Fronek	Rich Fronek
6/27	9:00 A.M.	Paul Crossman	Paul Albrecht

*Worship Times*

**Saturday – 4:00 p.m.**  
**Drive-In Worship**  
*(weather permitting)*

**Sunday – 10:00 a.m.**



Our last day of Sunday School for this school year was held on Mother's Day, May 9th. The children enjoyed grab-n-go breakfast items, celebrated with fun activities, and each received a goodie bag. We finished up the morning with a hand bell parade through the sanctuary during the 10:00 a.m. worship service. On behalf of the entire Sunday School staff, we pray for a safe and fun summer for all! We hope to see everyone at Rally Day, our first day of the 2021-2022 school year, which will be held on Sunday, September 12, 2021. Details will be emailed and/or mailed to everyone later this summer. If you have any questions, please email lmmcss14@gmail.com.

## Thank You

Thank you to Mia Wollin for serving as our Sunday School Superintendent for the past 10 years.

You have blessed the children of our congregation through your thoughtful planning of the Sunday School program and guiding these youths as they grow their relationship with Christ. Enjoy your retirement from your position!

Thank you, The Sunday School Staff

## GRADUATIONS:

Lake Mills High School: Samantha Meister, Riley Nelson, Kyan Schmidt, Mia Wehausen and Molly Williams

Cambridge High School: Noah Frey

**PLEASE** let the church office know of any college graduations you have in your family. We want to recognize them!!

## Mt. Morris Camp & Retreat Center Board of World Mission Work Camp

In partnership with Director Dan Scharnhorst and the staff of Mt. Morris, the Board of World Mission is sponsoring a work camp during the dates of **June 11-20, 2021**. A number of tasks have been identified to prepare the grounds for in-person summer camps. (*For a detailed listing, please see the church office.*)

In order to accomplish these tasks, the BWM is seeking volunteers to be part of this effort. The BWM will cover the expenses for meals and cabin lodging for the dates that a volunteer can commit to working. There is a limit of 20 persons per day. Volunteers will be asked to provide their own bedding and towels for cabin lodging, bring work gloves and safety goggles, and bring clothing appropriate for painting, staining, and outdoor tasks.

**An Important Note:** All volunteers will follow the COVID safety protocols established and followed by the Center for Disease Control, Mt. Morris Camp & Retreat Center, the BWM, and the Western District Camping Committee. This will include wearing masks when inside buildings with other people not related to or known by the volunteer. Individuals who are known by or related to each other will share lodging space.

If you are able to join the volunteer team, please contact BWM Director of Mission Service, Jill Kolodziej by **May 28** at [jill@moravianmission.org](mailto:jill@moravianmission.org) or 920-256-9472 to reserve your space. You can also visit the BWM website for additional information at <https://www.moravian.org/mission>.

## The Work of Our Boards

- The **Board of Trustees** met on Thursday, May 13. Following are highlights of that meeting.
- the treasurer's report was shared and approved. Although we had a shortfall at the end of April, it was the smallest at this time of year in the last four years.
  - several ongoing maintenance and repair projects were reviewed.
  - Sherman Lawson was thanked for installing new emergency exit lights. Additional exit lights will be replaced as time permits.
  - a bid from Michael Allison was approved to install TV monitors in the Gathering Room and Nursery, along with associated cabling, so that worship services can be watched from those locations.

The **Board of Elders** meeting took place after the deadline for this issue. Highlights of that meeting may be found in next month's Messenger.

## Shelter For The Homeless

There is very little that has changed as the Homeless Shelter support groups are working to get a permanent location up and running. We did get a communication from the Executive Director with an interesting story. There was an unfortunate incident at the drop-in shelter on March 22nd where a guest got into a heated discussion with other guests and shot one of them. Nothing close to this has ever happened at the shelter before. The interesting story is about an uninvolved guest--they call him RayRay--who stepped in to stop the injured man's bleeding until paramedics could arrive. He assured staff that he would stay with the injured guest and keep him alive until the paramedics showed up. And he did, wrapping and compressing parts of the guest's body until the paramedics showed up. The first words out of the paramedic's mouth were, "Do you guys have medics here that have already attended to him?"

RayRay was simply another guest at the DIS that night. He is also one of our honorable military veterans who will walk with a limp for the rest of his life. It's no surprise that he was quick to the guest's rescue. RayRay was shot five times in the line-of-duty while serving in Iraq. This story just goes to show what some of the people that we had the honor to serve meals to are like. Many are real life heroes.

## Summer Church Camp Dates

Chetek Camp (Completed Grades 9 through Age 21) – **July 18-24**

Winmor Camp (Completed Grades 6 – 8) – **July 25-31**

Junior Camp (Completed Grades 2 – 5) – **August 1-5**

All camps take place at Mt. Morris Camp & Retreat Center. The 2021 Camp Packets are available and have been sent home during Sunday School as well as emailed out. If you want a packet but didn't receive one, please call the church office.

A few changes happened this year. 1) No 4M camp, but a Family Camp Weekend is available (see separate article in this issue). 2) Registration is ONLINE ONLY, except for Family Camp, which is PAPER ONLY. If you do not have access to a computer, please call the church office to make arrangements to use the church computer. You will be expected to pay a \$35 deposit at the time of registration, with balance being due at camp.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** With online registration, it is more important than ever to let the church know you are registered. Only those known to be registered will receive a camp scholarship for the balance of their camp fees. The office also needs to know if your child(ren) will need transportation.



## Moravian Women

We did not have a May board meeting. We will meet on Monday, June 7. We will begin working on plans for Market Day which will be held October 16.

Teresa attended the Provincial Women's Board meeting on May 14-16 at Mt. Morris. We discussed the new books that will be coming up in 2022 and 2023. So far, a lot of the women like the "flip" book format of having two books in one. We also thought of different ideas of how to encourage younger women to attend retreats and conferences that are put on by the Moravian Women. Those who attended the meeting were: Eastern Region—Rev. Nasel Ephraim (PA), Margo Harris on Zoom (Toronto, Canada), and Evadne Morrison-Taylor (NY); Mid-States Region—Claire Yoder (OH), Connie Ray (IN), Pat Baldwin (IN); Western Region—Marty Karow (DeForest), Linda Rabbach (Watertown), Teresa Holzhueter (Lake Mills).

## Western District Synod

The 31st Synod of the Western District of the Northern Province with a theme of "Being the Church: Holy Spirit Empowered," was held online from April 22-24, 2021. It was a unique experience and through technology we were able to hear video presentations for several of our district, provincial, and even some interprovincial ministries. The only legislation was approval of the 2022 Western District budget. Elections were held using an online platform called "lumi." Our LMMC delegates were Jane Berg, Larry Fahney, Sue Trumpf, Kathy Wendt, and Pastor Dave Sobek.

Rev. Bruce Nelson was re-elected president of the Western District, Cindy Fahney was re-elected to another term on the Western District Executive Board, and Cindy Miller was elected to the Mt. Morris Board.

# JUNE 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 7:30 PM AA	3 10 AM Book Club 6:30 CEC Meeting - Zoom	4 <b>Family Camp Weekend (June 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>)</b>	5 4 PM Drive-In Worship (weather permitting)
6 New Worship Time Starts 9 AM Worship	7 6:30 PM Women's Board Meeting	8	9 7:30 PM AA	10 6:30 PM Trustees	11 7:30 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast	12 4 PM Drive-In Worship with Praise Band (weather permitting)
13 9 AM Worship	14	15	16 7:30 PM AA	17 6 PM Elders	18	19 4 PM Drive-In Worship (weather permitting)
20 Father's Day 9 AM Worship	21 First Day of Summer	22	23 7:30 PM AA	24	25	26 4 PM Drive-In Worship (weather permitting)
27 9 AM Worship	28	29	30 7:30 PM AA			4 PM Drive-In Worship (weather permitting)

## Confirmands' Statements of Faith

**Zoey Buchholtz:** Hello I am Zoey Buchholtz, and this is my faith statement. Many people have different perspectives on their relationship with Christ, but my relationship with Christ is more than I thought I could want. He has helped me get through the tough parts of my life. To be honest with you I have never felt so close to Christ until recently. I believe that we learn all about these people because their stories were made to be told to us later in life. I have seen God work with my life in many ways. Like some of them being the perseverance to keep going with some of my sports even when I want to give up. Other times it will be, should I try something new? I have wanted to give up so much in my life but Christ gives me more chances to get my life back in line. Yes, I am very grateful for all the chances I have gotten in life like being able to make it on my sports teams, and having the chance to still be alive. Being a member of this church means a lot to me and I feel comforted when I come into church because I know that all of us are supportive to each other. One of the many things I'm going to remember from my class is the many trips we got to take in the van. Whenever we got into the church van, I would know that we are probably doing something pretty fun. One of the many things I have learned from this class is that when God gives you chances to do something again you should try again. I have had many chances in my life to do things right, even when I have done something wrong it still comes back to me but that's why I continue to do the right things in my life. I am very proud to be standing here right now confirming my faith to this church.

**McKenzie Frey:** What my relationship with Christ means to me is that I have a safe place and someone I can talk to and share anything I want and not be judged for it. He can also guide me in a good direction and he knows what's best for me. I believe that God, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit gives us a reason and a purpose to live. Some people follow through with that reason or purpose and some people don't. I don't believe this because of what I was told, I believe this because it's what I think that is right. I have seen God working in my life and all around the world because he gave me a loving family and nice and loving friends, a roof over my head, a car to drive around, food and water to stay healthy. He also gave me a shower so I can stay nice and clean and healthy. After I am confirmed, I plan to continue growing in your faith by going to church and keep on learning about God because even when you think that you know everything about God and Jesus, you don't and you always have something to learn. What being a member of this church means to me is having a responsibility and being a part of something. It means that I have an opportunity to give back to my community by helping them learn about God and Jesus. What I remember most about Confirmation Class is Pastor Dave would bring us food. We also had to sit and listen to the Elders meeting. We did this because it was important that we learned how these meetings worked and what the elders do for our church. I also remember going to the homeless shelter and feeding the homeless people. I am thankful to God because he gave us this world that we live on and he gives us water and food. He also gives us materials to make clothes, cars, technology that we use in our everyday life. That's why I'm thankful to God, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit.

**Erin Williams:** To me, a relationship with Christ means an understanding that I can rely on him. I feel I have a strong relationship with Christ in that I know he will be there for me at my best and worst. To be a member of the Moravian Church means that I now have more of a responsibility to participate in the life of the church and the Moravian faith. After I am confirmed, I plan to continue to go to church and hopefully go on more mission trips once the pandemic dies down. Some of my most meaningful experiences came when I have helped others.

When I was in Texas a few years ago for a mission trip, I remember seeing God working in my life by bringing people together to work on the houses that got flooded. I would like to experience that moment more often when helping others. One of my fondest memories of the confirmation classes is going to the homeless shelter and Tricklebee Cafe to help serve food. What I also remember from Confirmation class is going on a retreat last year to Mt. Morris and I learned more about the Moravian faith.

I feel that I know enough about my faith to trust Him. I may not know where I am going, but I know He will help guide me.

**Carsyn Peterson:** My relationship with Christ means to me that it's important to me because I can always go to him when I need something or need help with something I'm struggling with. I believe God only wants the best for you and will try to help you. I believe that Jesus died on the cross for us so we can live and he forgives us for our sins. Next, I believe The Holy Spirit gives you love. I believe all of these things in my statement because that is what I have learned in Sunday school, Discipleship and in Church. I have seen God working in my life a few years back as when I was in fourth grade, I had pneumonia and was in the hospital for 4 days. I prayed to go home and the next day I was able to be cleared to go home. God has given me so many great gifts in my friends and family. He has blessed me with a loving family who help take care of me and help nurture me in my life and faith. He is calling me to keep them close even when times are tough. After I get confirmed, I plan to continue growing my faith by going to church on a regular basis, partake in church activities and go to summer church camp. I think being a member of a church means you need to go to church, volunteer your time helping in different areas of the church with what gifts you can offer and a place to come for communion. The thing I remember the most about confirmation class is when we went as a group to Tricklebee Cafe. I was able to paint several shelves there that they would be using to store food and supplies on. One thing I was able to learn from class is who created the Moravian religion and that is a Christian named Jan Hus. I am excited to confirm my faith today and can't wait to see how God guides me throughout my life and membership at the Lake Mills Moravian Church.

**Charlie Ripp:** I feel that my relationship with God helps me to trust people more than I have in the past. I believe this because whenever I have a fear or a doubt, I can trust in God to guide me and reassure me. In the past 2 years I feel closer with God than I have before, and now I understand more about God than earlier. Being a member of the church means that in my relationship with God I am able to become closer to him. I believe that God, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit answer my prayers. I believe this because I have gotten through many tough times in my life and when I have gone through those times I prayed. If I had to go through those times without God, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit I think it wouldn't be possible. I have seen God working in my life in many different ways. One example is when I have to do something that is hard for me to do but I really put my mind to it, and try my hardest I am capable of doing it. I believe this now because I believe in myself and what I am able to do through God. God has given me many gifts, but the gift that is most important to me is being adopted. God has given me my parents, I am very lucky to be adopted and to have love, food, shelter, and support from my parents. I plan on staying active in church by coming to worship, and doing what I can to help with the church. One thing I remember the most about Confirmation class is helping with the Mini Moravians. I enjoy younger kids because I have younger cousins. One thing I learned in discipleship class is that John Huss was a leader of the Czech Reformation of the 15th century and was one of the most prominent figures executed as a religious dissident.

**Tanner Wendorf:** 1 Timothy 6:19 says, "...thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life." I want to have a great relationship with God and in order to achieve that great relationship I need to not only go to church but to do more out of church to further my learning and look forward to doing that. I believe God is three in one. He is the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. When I killed my first deer with a bow, I prayed to God that I would see a deer in range and get a good shot and it happened. I knew God listened to me that day. God has given me the gift of playing the tuba and he wants me to use it to create music for church. After I'm confirmed I will go to church and be involved in the community. Being a member of this church is important to help the church both by just going to church and spreading the word of God. Something I remember most about discipleship class is that this is God's house and the church is made up of God.

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## COMING IN JULY 2021:

July 3 & 4 – Holy Communion

## SAVE THE DATE:

Sunday, August 15, is scheduled to be our annual outdoor worship service at Korth Park at 10 a.m. Watch for more details to come.

## Little Lambs VBS

Save the Dates for a FUN Little Lambs Vacation Bible School August 3-5, 2021! More information to follow in next month's Messenger, as well as emails to the parents!

## Our Worship Services may be seen on

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